

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 95-54

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS  
ALL COUNTY AUDITOR CONTROLLERS  
ALL COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERSREASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

- ☐ State Law Change
- ☐ Federal Law or Regulation Change
- ☐ Court Order or Settlement Agreement
- ☐ Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
- ☒ Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT: AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN-FOSTER CARE (AFDC-FC)  
FIVE PERCENT SPECIALIZED CARE INCENTIVES AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
(SCIAP) FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 1995-96

REFERENCE: ACL 93-85 dated November 1, 1993

This ACL is to provide you with instructions for the continuation of the AFDC-FC five percent SCIAP that was implemented in FY 1993-94, pursuant to SB 35 (Chapter 69, Statutes of 1993) and SB 370 (Chapter 1294, Statutes of 1989).

As appropriated in FY 1995-96 state budget, this augmentation will provide \$4.453 million to the counties as incentives and assistance specifically for the AFDC-FC specialized care program. The amount was computed using an amount equal to five percent of the estimated FY 1995-96 State Treasury appropriation for foster care.

SCIAP Information

The eligibility and program requirements for SCIAP remain unchanged from those provided in FY 1993-94 program. Children eligible to receive SCIAP funds include those children who meet the following criteria:

- o Have a health and/or behavioral problem (special needs children require additional care and supervision because of their health and/or behavior problems), and
- o Are residing in a foster family home which includes licensed foster family homes and small family homes, the home of a relative or nonrelated legal guardian or the certified home of a foster family agency and receives a nontreatment rate.
- o Receive an AFDC-FC payment (Aid Code 40/42), or
- o Are placed with a relative, are otherwise eligible for state-only AFDC-FC program payments, but receive an AFDC-Family Group/Unemployed payment because the federal linkage and eligible facilities requirements in the Manual of Policies and Procedures, section 45-202.3 and 45-203.4 have not been met.

Expenditure of SCIAP funds for those foster care children identified above are limited to the following goods and services.

- o Respite Care—The purchase of respite care services and/or the development and maintenance of a respite care program.
- o Direct Cost—The purchase of goods or services on a nonrecurring or as needed basis which are unallowable costs within the AFDC-FC specialized care system and are not available through any other funding sources. These items and services may include, but are not limited to, wheelchair ramps, apnea monitors, glasses, psychiatric visits orthodontia, and equipment and/or activities which will stimulate the child's physical and/or emotional growth.

#### Allocation Methodology

The SCIAP allocation to be distributed between all 58 counties is \$4.453 million. Each county's proportionate share is based on the total AFDC-FC foster family home (including relatives and nonrelated legal guardians) and foster family agency certified home placements for the last twelve months (June 1994 through May 1995) as reported in the CA 237-FC. A list of the county allocations is enclosed.

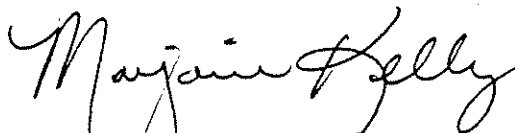
#### Fiscal Claiming Instructions

Costs associated with SCIAP continue to be claimable with the September 1995 quarter. These expenditures will be charged against the county's allocation and will be funded with 100 percent State General Funds. The following Program Identifier Numbers (PINS) will continue to be used to capture the costs associated with this program:

PIN 100050 Respite Care  
PIN 100059 Probation Expense  
PIN 100068 Direct Costs (as defined above)

Should you have questions regarding this letter, please contact the appropriate staff for assistance.

Program: Debra Williams, Foster Care Policy Bureau, (916) 327-6925  
Allocation: County Analyst, County Cost Analysis Bureau, (916) 657-3806  
Claiming: Fiscal Policy Bureau, (916) 657-3440



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Enclosure

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SCIAP ALLOCATION

Counties	Total AFDC-FC Cases	FY 1995-96 Allocation \$4,453,000
Alameda	3628	207,284
Alpine	15	857
Amador	28	1,614
Butte	577	32,936
Calaveras	65	3,685
Colusa	25	1,414
Contra Costa	2156	123,192
Del Norte	104	5,951
El Dorado	230	13,150
Fresno	2318	132,433
Glenn	78	4,470
Humboldt	385	21,981
Imperial	280	16,016
Inyo	29	1,676
Kern	1494	85,343
Kings	195	11,164
Lake	157	8,950
Lassen	102	5,799
Los Angeles	32587	1,861,682
Madera	171	9,746
Marin	226	12,926
Mariposa	28	1,576
Mendocino	246	14,035
Merced	391	22,324
Modoc	24	1,371
Mono	16	924
Monterey	331	18,886
Napa	211	12,031
Nevada	96	5,470
Orange	2484	141,922
Placer	251	14,325
Plumas	37	2,123
Riverside	2688	153,581
Sacramento	3317	189,506
San Benito	70	3,971
San Bernardino	3871	221,162
San Diego	5306	303,120
San Francisco	3169	181,037
San Joaquin	1551	88,581
San Luis Obispo	400	22,838
San Mateo	627	35,816
Santa Barbara	454	25,947
Santa Clara	2169	123,897
Santa Cruz	328	18,748
Shasta	485	27,727
Sierra	14	819
Siskiyou	182	10,412
Solano	550	31,446
Sonoma	373	21,305
Stanislaus	806	46,066
Sutter	139	7,951
Tehama	145	8,289
Trinity	36	2,076
Tulare	1140	65,129
Tuolumne	72	4,085
Ventura	614	35,059
Yolo	240	13,692
Yuba	236	13,488
Total	77,944	\$4,453,000